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FM AMEMBASSY LONDON  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7625  
INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA  
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E.O. 11652: GDS-1  
TAGS: PDEV SW SF UK  
SUBJ: NAMIBIA: GOVERNMENT STATEMENT ON WALVIS BAY

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION IN  
THE HOUSE OF LORDS ON THE STATUS OF WALVIS BAY, FCO  
MINISTER OF STATE LORD GORONWY-ROBERTS JUNE 22 SAID:  
"WE TAKE THE VIEW THAT WALVIS BAY IS PART OF NAMIBIA.  
NO DOUBT A DECLARATION BY ALL CONCERNED IN THAT SENSE  
WOULD BE HELPFUL...I CAN SEE NO CONTINGENCY IN THE  
FUTURE IN WHICH WALVIS BAY WILL NOT INDEED BE PART OF  
NAMIBIA."

2. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. WE UNDERSTAND THE SOUTH AFRICAN  
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EMBASSY HAS PROTESTED GORONWY-ROBERTS' LANGUAGE,  
PARTICULARLY THE FIRST SENTENCE. THE STATEMENT HAS NOT  
APPEARED IN THE PRESS HERE, BUT IT MAY SIGNAL TO THE  
SOUTH AFRICANS WHAT WE HAVE IN MIND REGARDING THE  
ULTIMATE DISPOSITION OF WALVIS BAY. REGARDING THE  
FIRST SENTENCE, WHICH CLOSELY REFLECTS SWAPO'S FORMULA,  
FCO TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER THAT HIS LORDSHIP MUDDLED HIS

BRIEF.

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